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Invitation to Prequalify to Offer Proposals

UCONN Health Clinic Building Renovation Project Number: 901737

You are hereby invited to prequalify to bid the University of Connecticut Health Care Center Building C Renovation (University of Connecticut Project #901737) in Farmington, CT. The Fusco Corporation is the CM for the project which is expected to go out to bid Mid December.

Job Description: The University of Connecticut Health Center intends to renovate, as part of the Bioscience Connecticut initiative, the existing Clinic Building C. This building supports both the Oral Healthcare and Education Center and the Pat and Jim Calhoun Cardiology Center. The project will include replacement of major MEP systems, and renovations to the existing Main Entrance, Lobby, Clinics, Medical Offices and Support Spaces. Total estimated value of this project is \$64,500,000. The renovations are anticipated to take place between March 2016 and May 2018.

All subcontractors interested in bidding on this Project must be prequalified for this Project. Bids received from subcontractors who have not been prequalified for this Project will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Submit the Subcontractor Prequalification Statement per instructions no later than September 18, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.
RFI Submission deadline; no later than September 11, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.

In addition to being prequalified for this Project, all Bidders submitting a bid \$500,000 or higher must be prequalified by the DAS in the requisite classification and have the aggregate work capacity rating and single project limit necessary to complete the work for which the Bid is submitted.

Project Labor Agreement (PLA): The project will utilize a Project Labor Agreement (PLA). A PLA is a pre-hire collective bargaining agreement with one or more labor organizations that establishes the terms and conditions of employment for a specific construction project. A copy of the PLA will be available to all prospective subcontractors prior to the project bidding. All subcontractors selected for the project will be required to sign the PLA regardless of whether they are a prime or lower tier contractor.

Bid Package	Description	DAS Required **	Set Aside or 30/10	Estimated Value*
01.0 MBE	Final Cleaning	No	Yes	\$156,140
02.0	Demolition and Abatement	Yes	30/10	\$3,979,976
03.0	Cast-In-Place Concrete	No	30/10	\$174,457

04.0	Masonry & Precast	Yes	30/10	\$1,432,332
05.0	Structural Steel & Metal Decking	Yes	30/10	\$1,843,064
05.1 MBE	Metal Fabrications	No	Yes	\$483,761
06.0	General Trades	Yes	30/10	\$4,611,692
06.1	Millwork	Yes	30/10	\$955,148
07.0	Roofing	Yes	30/10	\$1,171,780
07.2 SBE	Fire Stopping	Yes	Yes	\$514,108
08.0	Glass & Glazing	Yes	30/10	\$1,749,609
08.1	Doors, Frames & Hardware	Yes	30/10	\$601,042
09.0 SBE	Ceramic Tile & Travertine	No	Yes	\$407,560
09.1 SBE	Carpet	No	Yes	\$417,957
09.3 SBE	Resilient Floors	Yes	Yes	\$1,500,163
09.5	Acoustical Ceilings	Yes	30/10	\$1,181,422
09.6 MBE	Painting	Yes	Yes	\$610,833
10.0 SBE	Signage	No	Yes	\$62,579
10.1 SBE	Toilet Compartments & Accessories	No	Yes	\$106,156
12.1 SBE	Window Treatments	No	Yes	\$103,417
21.0	Fire Suppression	Yes	30/10	\$1,329,756
22.0	Plumbing	Yes	30/10	\$5,978,722
23.0	HVAC	Yes	30/10	\$15,333,835
26.0	Electrical	Yes	30/10	\$7,857,865
26.1 SBE	Fire Alarm	Yes	Yes	\$542,2370
27.0 SBE	Communications	Yes	Yes	\$974,186
27.1 SBE	Security	Yes	Yes	\$654,067
31.0	Site Work	No	30/10	\$396,534

* Value shown is an estimated value only and is not a guaranteed representation of the actual value of the scope.

** Scopes identified as "DAS Prequalification Required" must have DAS Prequalification as these scopes are estimated to exceed \$500,000. DAS Prequalification is required for all bids which exceed \$500,000 regardless of whether the scope is identified as such above.

Subcontractors will be expected to be S/MBE or to provide a minimum of 30% SBE and 10% MBE participation as indicated above. S/MBE companies must have current certification by the CT DAS.

There will be two Prequalify Collaborative Outreach Events for the UCONN Health Main Building Renovation project and the UCONN Health Clinic Building Renovation project on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at UCONN Health, 16 Munson Road, 4th Floor, Human Resources Conference Room, Farmington, CT 06030 and on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Fusco Corporation Office, 555 Long Wharf Drive, 3rd Floor, New Haven, CT 06511 . All subcontractors are encouraged to attend to learn about the project.

Prequalification Instructions:

1. **Obtaining and Submitting the Subcontractor Prequalification Statement:**
 - a. To download the prequalification forms follow these instructions: Contact Robert Darr (rdarr@fusco.com) for ID and Password to gain access to iSqFt Web Portal. The prequalification forms can also be downloaded from the DAS state contracting portal.
 - b. Fill out the Subcontractor Prequalification Statement form completely, truthfully, and accurately, attaching all supporting documentation. The completed Subcontractor Prequalification Statement must be signed by a duly authorized agent of your firm and notarized.
 - c. Save the Subcontractor Prequalification Statement and all attachments thereto as a PDF file and email to: mttyler@fusco.com. Applicants are solely responsible for ensuring timely receipt of Subcontractor Prequalification Statement and all supporting documentation.
 - d. Subcontractor Prequalification Statements will only be accepted in an electronic format. Please **do not** send a hard copy.
2. **Requests for Information:** All Requests for Information (RFI) for interpretations and/or clarifications to the Invitation to Prequalify or the Subcontractor Prequalification Statement must be submitted in writing to The Fusco Corporation, 555 Long Wharf Drive, New Haven, CT 06511, and directed to Jack Ludwig. RFIs may be submitted electronically to the following email address: jludwig@fusco.com on or before the date set forth above. No oral statement shall be effective to waive, change or otherwise modify any provision of the Invitation to Prequalify or Subcontractor Prequalification Statement and no bidder shall rely on any alleged oral statement.
3. **Review of Pequalifications:** The Fusco Corporation and the University of Connecticut may make such investigation as they deem necessary to determine your firm's responsibility and ability to perform the work. Your firm shall furnish all information and data for this purpose as the Fusco Corporation or the University of Connecticut may request. The Fusco Corporation and the University of Connecticut reserve the right to reject any Subcontractor Prequalification Statement or to otherwise not prequalify any firm if evidence submitted or investigation fails to satisfy the Fusco Corporation or the University of Connecticut that such firm is responsible and/or properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Contract and to complete the work within the specified time.
4. **Reservation of Rights.** The Fusco Corporation and the University of Connecticut reserve the right to amend or terminate this Invitation to Prequalify, to reject any and all Subcontractor Prequalification Statements, and to waive informalities and irregularities in any Subcontractor Prequalification Statement or supporting documentation.

Small and Minority Businesses (S/MBE) are encouraged to apply/bid. For additional information on certifying as and S/MBE in Connecticut, Please visit the following link: <http://www.das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=34>

S/MBE Contractors may find the following resources helpful:

HEDCO, Inc. – <http://www.hedcoinc.com/> – HEDCO, Inc. is a 501 (c 3) Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) and a Small Business Administration Certified Micro Lender. The agency has been in operation since 1975 and serves the 169 cities and towns in Connecticut, especially small business within the City of Hartford, to help them develop business plans, acquire financing and achieve sustained successful growth. For additional information please contact Kim Hawkins, VP & COO, at (860) 527-1100 or email her at khawkins@brct.com

The Business Resource Center (BRC) – <http://www.hedcoinc.com/business-resource-center/> – provides access to professional consultation, resource materials, and, action-oriented training (OSHA, certified payrolls, schedules, billings, estimating, etc.), in the skills/techniques needed to grow business in the Greater Hartford area. The BRC also operates a Minority Business Enterprise Assistance Program with focus on the development of minority construction firms in CT, including assistance with the capacity to qualify for bonding (bid, performance and payment).

BondSure @ Greater New England Minority Supplier Development Council (GNEMSDC) – A minority assistance program offered by Community Capital Fund and GNEMSDC, BondSure helps to increase the surety bonding capacity of S/MBE construction firms throughout Southern Connecticut. For more information, please go to <http://bondsurre.org> or contact Andres Lopez Director of State Programs at (203) 288-9744 or alopez@gnemsdc.org.

The Connecticut Small Business Development Center (CTSBDC) provides no-cost advising assistance to both prospective existing business owners to help them start or grow their business. For more information, please visit <http://ctsbdc.com/contact/>.

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) guarantees bid, performance and payment bonds issued by surety companies. This Federal guarantee encourages surety companies to bond S/MBE's who are having difficulty obtaining bonding on their own. For more information, please visit <https://www.sba.gov/surety-bonds>.

Creative Insurance Concepts, Inc. (CIC) - <http://www.creativeic.com/bonds.html> - Participants in the SBA Surety Bond Guarantee Program in most states. Contact Charlene Reynolds, CEO, at 804-674-8330 or cjreynolds@creativeic.com.

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